

## HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

**Pie Crust.**—1 teaspoonful of water, 1 of lard, a teaspoonful of salt and a lump of soda the size of a hazlenut, and enough flour to make it roll out easy.

**Fried Cakes.**—1 teaspoonful cream, 1 egg beat up; a teaspoonful of salt and 1 of soda, dissolved in a little warm water; sufficient flour to make it roll well; cut in pieces 3 inches long and 2 inches wide, and fry in hot lard.

**Cure for Chills.**—Those who are afflicted with chills can be cured of them by holding the afflicted parts to live coals as long as they can stand it; about the same manner as one would toast bread. Protect the unaffected parts of the foot with a cloth of any kind. A few applications will effect a permanent cure.

**Snow Cake.**—The whites of 6 eggs, 1 cup of fine white sugar, 1 cup of sifted flour, 1 teaspoonful of cream-tartar. Beat the eggs to a stiff froth, then add the sugar; beat them well together, then add part of the flour. Mix cream-tartar to the rest of the flour and beat all well together. Add the flavoring last. Bake in rather a quick oven.

**Poor Man's Pudding.**—1 cup of water, 1 cup of molasses, 1 teaspoonful of salt, 1 teaspoonful of soda; stir stiff and steam 3 hours. The sauce for it is: Three-fourths cup of butter, 1 cup of sugar, 1 tablespoonful of flour. After it has cooked a little, stir in 4 well beaten eggs and a tablespoonful of vanilla; or, prepare a vinegar sauce.

**Bread That Will Keep Moist.**—Take a pitcher that will hold 2 quarts of water, scald well, and then put a pint of warm water in it and a little soda (no salt); stir in flour enough to make a batter, not very thick, for it will not raise so quick; set it in a warm place to raise. When the emptings are about light enough to mix take, for 4 or 5 loaves of bread, 2 quarts or more of flour in your bread-pan and pour into it 3 quarts of boiling water, stirring with a spoon while pouring it in, making a thick paste; let it cool so as not to scald the emptings, then stir them in well and sprinkle some flour over the top and set it away to raise. When light enough, add flour enough to make into loaves and set them to raise; have your fire just right, for a great deal depends on baking; it must not bake too fast.

## Don Cameron as a Lover.

Ever since Don Cameron appeared in Washington as Secretary of War he has been devoted in his attentions to one or more fair ladies. He has a quick eye for beauty and readily responds to its appeal. The handsome daughter of the late deceased Judge Pascal was the first lady in this city to whom he paid devoted attention. The handsome daughter of Judge Black, Mrs. Shunk, also more than fascinated the young Senator. A feud had always existed between the houses of Black and Cameron; but this did not extend to the second generation, and through all of last winter's gay season Don Cameron was devoted to the fascinating Mrs. Shunk. Senator Cameron is a philosopher, and does not let disappointment damage his cheek. He consoled himself at once and became interested in pretty Miss Sherman soon after he first met her early in the winter. From that time his attentions were so marked that gossip announced a marriage engagement. The young lady has been the guest of her uncle, John Sherman, all of the winter. Mrs. Sherman gave a lunch on Saturday, February 23. There were 75 ladies present at this lunch. It was not given especially for the purpose of publicly announcing the engagement, but before the entertainment was over Miss Sherman removed the pledge of secrecy from her aunt, who then and there confirmed the reported alliance of the houses of Sherman and Cameron. What a sensation! Each lady present tendered her congratulations. After this every one was in a hurry to get away and be the first to tell the news. Let some apter mathematician than myself make a calculation of how many persons could become acquainted with the facts in the course of a few hours with seventy-five ladies engaged in the business of circulating the news. Many hastened from the lunch to Mrs. Hayes's reception, where each one found at least 500 acquaintances. The Chicago fire did not spread more rapidly.—*Washington Cor. Philadelphia Times.*

## The Crisis.

What think you would be the result if the earth should stop spinning around the sun? Were you ever near a large and intricate machine when one of its wheels became clogged or broken—near enough to hear the grating, jarring clash, the sudden, deafening crash? Astronomers assure us that precisely similar effects, only on an inconceivably grander scale, would be produced if our earth—one of the wheels in the universe-machine—should suddenly cease its revolutions. In other words, there would be a general crash and crash of satellites, planets and systems. What we term financial crises are due to similar causes. One of the wheels in the finance-machine becomes clogged, perhaps shattered. The terrible Wall-street "crash" which follows is communicated to every part of the financial mechanism of the country. But analogies do not stop here. There is that other mechanism, the most intricate of all—sometimes called an organization because it generates its own force—the human machine. When one of its members fails to perform its office, the whole system is thrown into disorder. Members before considered unassailable, break down under the unnatural pressure. The shock comes, and utter prostration is the result. Reparation can only be effected by the restoration of the impaired parts and the readjustment of its levers—the physical forces. There is one part of the machine more liable to disorder than any other—the liver—the great balance-wheel of the machine.

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